



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Brian Arnold
Serial No. : 09/869,451
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Title : SHOE STIFFENER, MATERIALS AND METHODS FOR MAKING SAME
AND METHOD OF INCORPORATING A SHOE STIFFENER INTO A SHOE
UPPER COMPONENT

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